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**Robert L. Jones**

Bankruptcy Judge

Date of Birth: 1955  
 Education: Texas Tech 1978 BA, 1982 JD  
 Began Service: April 2000  
 Term Expires: April 4, 2014

**Legal Practice:** Jackson, Walker, Winstead, Cantwell & Miller (1982-1985); Crenshaw, Dupree & Milam, LLP (1985-2000)

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**D. Michael Lynn**

Bankruptcy Judge

Date of Birth: 1943  
 Education: Lawrence 1965 BA; Columbia 1972 JD  
 Began Service: September 18, 2001  
 Term Expires: September 18, 2015

**Legal Practice:** Stutzman & Bromberg; Weil, Gotshal & Manges; Attorney, Moore & Peterson

**Military Service:** United States Naval Reserve

**Staff**

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**Harlin DeWayne "Cooter" Hale**

Bankruptcy Judge

Date of Birth: March 19, 1957  
 Education: LSU 1979 BS, 1982 JD  
 Began Service: November 1, 2002  
 Term Expires: October 31, 2016

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk, Associate Justice James L. Dennis, Supreme Court of Louisiana (1982-1983)

**Chambers of Bankruptcy Judge H. DeWayne Hale** *continued*

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; The Honorable John C. Ford American Inn of Court, The American Inns of Court; Dallas Bankruptcy Bar Association; Dallas Bar Association; Federal Bar Association; Louisiana State Bar Association; National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges; State Bar of Texas

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**Russell F. Nelms**

Bankruptcy Judge

Education: Texas Tech 1975 BA, 1978 JD  
 Began Service: November 22, 2004  
 Term Expires: 2018

**Current Memberships:** National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges; Tarrant County Bar Association

**Staff**

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**Stacey G. C. Jernigan**

Bankruptcy Judge

Education: Southern Methodist 1986 BBA; Texas 1989 JD  
 Began Service: May 2006  
 Term Expires: May 2020

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Haynes and Boone, LLP (1989-1996); Partner, Haynes and Boone, LLP (1997-2006)

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**Number of Vacancies:** 0

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**Hayden Head**

Chief Judge

Note: U.S. District Judge Hayden Head will be taking Senior Status on November 12, 2009.

Date of Birth: 1944

Education: Texas 1967 BA, 1968 LLB

Began Service: October 26, 1981

Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Head & Kendrick (1968-1969); Associate, Head & Kendrick (1972-1976); Partner, Head, Kendrick & Head (1976-1981)

**Military Service:** United States Navy (1969-1972)

**Current Memberships:** Federal Judges Association; Maritime Law Association of the United States; State Bar of Texas; Texas Bar Foundation, State Bar of Texas

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**George P. Kazen**

District Judge

Note: U.S. District Judge George P. Kazen will be taking Senior Status on May 31, 2009.

Date of Birth: 1940

Education: Texas 1960 BBA, 1961 JD

Began Service: 1979

Appointed By: President Jimmy Carter

**Academic:** Adjunct Professor, School of Law, St. Mary's University (1990-1999)

**Government:** Briefing Attorney, Supreme Court of Texas (1961-1962)

**Judicial:** Chief Judge, United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas (2003)

**Legal Practice:** Partner, Mann, Freed, Kazen & Hansen (1965-1979)

**Chambers of District Judge George P. Kazen** *continued*

**Military Service:** United States Air Force (1962-1965)

**Current Memberships:** Laredo-Webb County Bar Association; State Bar of Texas; Texas Bar Foundation, State Bar of Texas

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**Ricardo H. Hinojosa**

District Judge

Date of Birth: 1950  
 Education: Texas 1972 BA; Harvard 1975 JD  
 Began Service: May 21, 1983  
 Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

**Affiliation:** Chair, United States Sentencing Commission

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk The Honorable Thomas M. Reavley, Texas Supreme Court (1975-1976)

**Government:** Commissioner, United States Sentencing Commission

**Legal Practice:** Associate and Partner, Ewers & Toothaker (1976-1983)

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**Lynn Nettleton Hughes**

District Judge

Education: Alabama 1963 BA; Texas 1966 JD; Virginia 1992 LLM  
 Began Service: December 17, 1985  
 Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

**Academic:** Adjunct Professor, South Texas College of Law (1973-2003); Advisor, European Community (1989); Chair, Board of Advisors, Houston Journal of International Law (1989-1999); Adjunct Professor, School of Law, University of Texas at Austin (1990-1991); Advisor, Republic of Moldova's Constitution (1993); Advisor, Romanian privatization (1997); Advisor, George Mason University (1999)

**Judicial:** Judge, 165th Judicial District of Texas (1979-1980); Judge, 189th Judicial District of Texas (1981-1985)

**Legal Practice:** Private Practice (1966-1972); Partner, Howard & Hughes (1973-1979)

**Current Memberships:** The American Law Institute; American Society for Legal History; Council on Foreign Relations; State Bar of Texas

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